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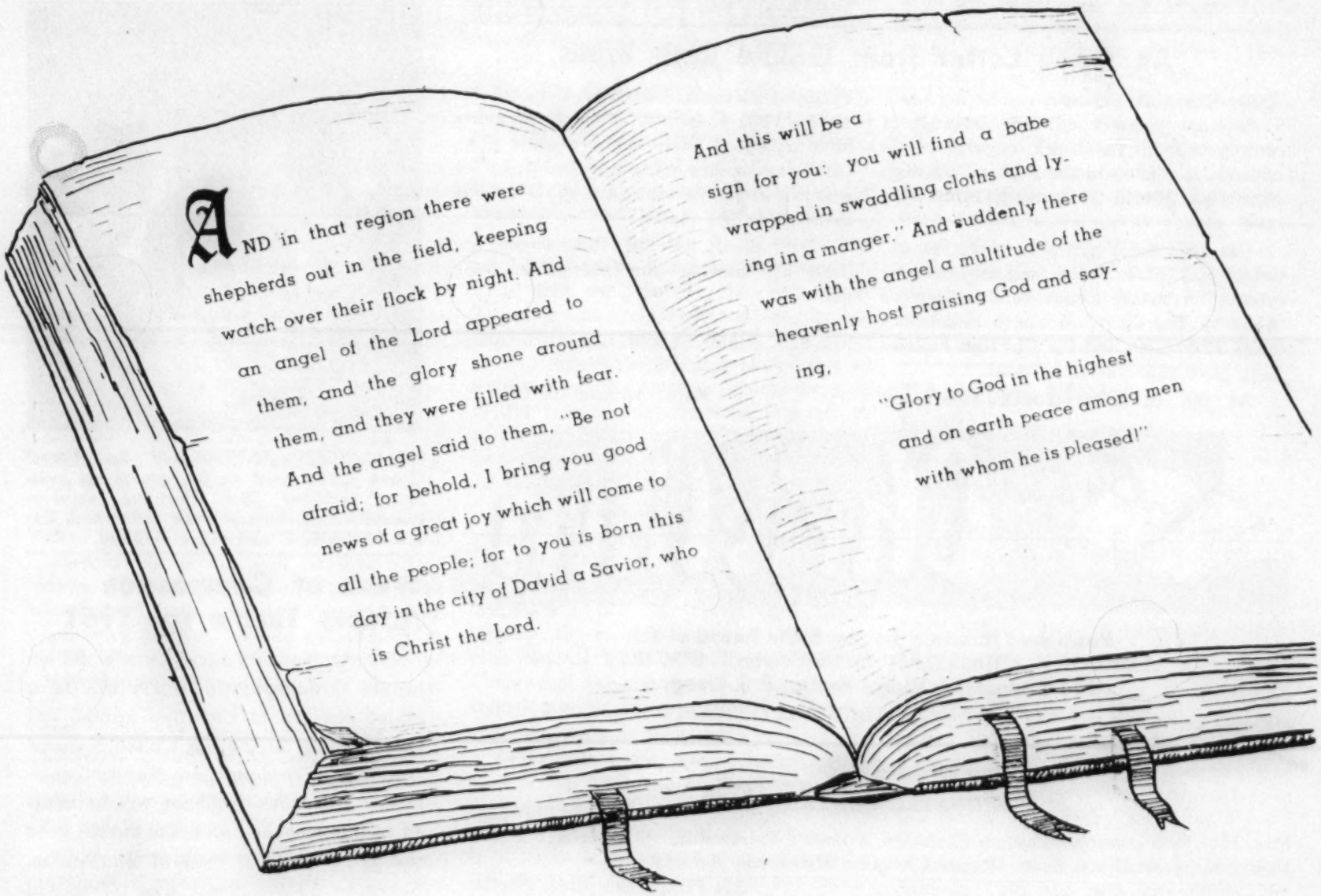
AND in that region there were
shepherds out in the field, keeping
watch over their flock by night. And
an angel of the Lord appeared to
them, and the glory shone around
them, and they were filled with fear.
And the angel said to them, "Be not
afraid; for behold, I bring you good
news of a great joy which will come to
all the people; for to you is born this
day in the city of David a Savior, who
is Christ the Lord.
And this will be a
sign for you: you will find a babe
wrapped in swaddling cloths and ly-
ing in a manger." And suddenly there
was with the angel a multitude of the
heavenly host praising God and say-
ing,
"Glory to God in the highest
and on earth peace among men
with whom he is pleased!"

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FROM THE STAFF OF THE STATE SOCIETY— CHRISTMAS GREETINGS

The State Staff counts it a privilege to wish unto each and every one of you a very fine Christmas season and a good new year. May we ever keep in mind the true meaning of Christmas as we remember God's gift to the world. May the spirit of Christ be with you and abide with you at this Christmastide and throughout the new year 1961.

Mr. & Mrs. Henry L. Searle
Mr. & Mrs. Sherman Moore
Miss Loma Mae Jones
Miss Mary Jane Nesby
Mrs. Clata Charles
Mrs. Jean Walker
Mr. & Mrs. Ray Hewitt
Mr. & Mrs. Clarence Elliott
Mr. & Mrs. Ray Helseth
Mr. & Mrs. Richard Flood

First Big Event of the New Year Is Oregon Assembly at Corvallis, Feb. 9-10

The Oregon Christian Assembly for 1961 will be held at the First Christian Church in Corvallis on February 9-10. The theme for this year's assembly will be "Forward with Christ Through the Decade" and will place emphasis upon the New Church Advance during the Decade of Decision.

The assembly will begin on Thursday afternoon, February 9, at 1:00 p.m. with a message by our new state secretary, Henry M. Searle, and will conclude on Friday evening with an installation service for Mr. Searle and a commitment service for the decade. Wayne Green, of Salem First Christian, will be in charge of the commitment service.

The speakers for the assembly are not yet confirmed, but we are assured that once again this year we will have outstanding persons of national status to bring inspiring and challenging messages. Work sessions will be held in the areas of New Church Advance, Christian Action, and World Outreach. Dr. and Mrs. Carlton Buck will lead the music during the assembly.

The Oregon Christian Assembly is an annual gathering of the members of Christian Churches across the state sponsored by the World Outreach Commission of the OCMS, and has become the means of disseminating information concerning the missionary work of our brotherhood and of providing inspiration and spiritual direction to the program of our brotherhood.

An Open Letter from Goldie Ruth Wells

Dear Christian Friends:

We are pleased with the interest of our youth in the work of the whole church, as shown in their giving through Christian World Friendship Fund this past year.

Oregon's total giving was $4,009.48, which is $751.48 more than the previous year. The Older Youth Fellowship gave $552.35; the Christian Youth Fellowship gave $2,558.59, and the Chi Rho Fellowship gave $898.55 of the total.

At the Christian Youth Fellowship Planning Retreat, Youth set the goal for 1960 - 1961 at $4,800. Most of the zones have accepted their share of this goal. Good reports are being received as to the concern of the various local youth groups throughout the state.

Won't all of us older folks encourage them by showing our interest in their efforts?

Sincerely yours for His service,
Goldie Ruth Wells
Adult Adviser for CWFF

HALLOWEEN HAYRIDE of the Forest Grove CYF: part of the group, as seen here, includes Rich Harbour, service-committee chairman, Joyce Lockwood, Eddie McFarlane, and Gary Holiday.

Week of Compassion Adopts Theme for 1961

The hunger of more than a billion people throughout the world will be a major concern of Christian groups and governments during the United Nations' five-year "Freedom From Hunger" campaign. Disciples of Christ will be related to this emphasis on acute human need through the annual Week of Compassion, February 19-26, 1961. The theme will be, "Break Bread Together."

NOTICE

The State Office, 304 Fitzpatrick Building, Portland, will be closed on Monday, December 26, and Monday, January 2, both of which are legal holidays.

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HENRY SEARLE, NEW EXECUTIVE SECRETARY OF STATE SOCIETY, INVITES US TO TAKE A TRIP—

With the State Secretary

Sometimes the question is asked, "What does the state secretary do?" It is my firm belief that it is good to keep churches and members informed. To this end I am writing this column, "With The State Secretary." I would like to share with you as I have ministered to churches, groups, and individuals in this great state of Oregon. There is a diversity of activity and service in which I have been engaged. Of course, I am not including all of the activities. If you like the idea, let me know.

Come, then, travel with me as we visit in the state.

October 15-November 15. I preached in the Kern Park Church in Portland for two services and attended a reception for Ray Helseth and family. The next week we journeyed down to Medford First Christian Church for the morning service. Then in the afternoon we came back to Grants Pass for the installation sermon for John Martin, their new minister.

As soon as the reception was over, we hurried to the car and drove to Westside Roseburg for the evening service. The next Sunday we went to the First Christian Church in North Bend for the morning service and that afternoon headed for Coquille for the district Fifth Sunday Rally, where I preached a sermon in the afternoon, led the men's meeting that night, and delivered another sermon in the evening service.

The next weekend found us travelling clear to eastern Oregon to Enterprise for the morning service and on that afternoon clear to the end of the state to Halfway for the evening service. The following Sunday we set out for Tillamook First Christian Church for the installation sermon for their new minister, Truman Robbins, in the morning, and, that night, for a meeting with the First Christian Church in Astoria. In each of these churches we found the people most cordial and friendly. We had a wonderful time together.

But come with me further, for there were other speaking engagements. We were three nights at Portland First Christian Church as the speaker at their Stewardship Banquets. This was a wonderful experience. Another evening was spent at Kern Park Church in Portland for their Stewardship Banquet and a testimony as to the value of tithing.

In eastern Oregon at Milton-Freewater we were guests of the Christian Women's Fellowship at their World Call Banquet with the Christian Men's Fellowship as guests. Here again we brought the message. In each of these churches where we have spoken during the week there has been a deep concern about the work of the church and a willingness to do all that can be done to further the work of Christ.

Now come with me as we attend some of the Commission meetings. There were several meetings of the Stewardship Commission as we wrestled with the matter of finances for the state work. We traveled down to Salem for a Campus Christian Life Commission meeting, then back to Portland for a Commission meeting on Evangelism. As we traveled together, we were privileged to attend two very fine Conferences on Evangelism, one at Mallory Avenue in Portland and the other at Pendleton. Bob Mulkey, minister at Bend, and Sherman Moore, of the state office, are to be commended for excellent leadership in this enterprise.

No sooner are we back from one meeting than we start out for another. This time we went to the Boy Scout Training Center in Portland for the annual Planning Retreat of the Education Commission. What a great experience as the leaders in Christian education give of their best thinking and interest to plans for the future. There are great days ahead if we can put into operation all the projected plans.

Are you still with me? Now we are going to travel to some of the conferences we have held in the state. There have been profitable conferences with the state C.W.F. secretary, Mrs. Idella Osburn, the campus ministers, Mrs. Dulcina Elliott, Ray Helseth and Richard Flood, and the state staff. How fine it is to share together projected plans for the future.

Other meetings are planned with workers in the state. Then there are conferences that have been held with various church committees and ministers. Due to the press of work here in the state, we felt it was best not to attend the International Convention in Louisville. I am sure as you have traveled with me thus far, you concur in this decision.

Well, how have you liked to travel with me around the state? I hope you have enjoyed it as much as I have. Many have asked me, "What is your impression of the state and the outlook for the future?" Personally, I am very happy with the work here in Oregon. Wherever Mrs. Searle and I have gone there has been an enthusiastic response.

There is no reason for us as a brotherhood not continuing to move forward in Oregon. We have the resources with which to do the Lord's work as it should be done. There is capable leadership, both in the ministry and among the laity, and the opportunity is here for effective work. God grant unto each of us that with dedication, Christian stewardship, and vision, we shall press on to greater things for the Kingdom.

It is hoped that this brief summary of activities of the state secretary will help each reader have a better understanding of his work among the churches. If he can be of service to your church, or if any other member of the state staff can help your church, please let us know. If you come to Portland, drop in and say "hello". The field staff is out about half the time visiting among the churches, but come in and see us.

May we seek God's will for us as a brotherhood, and then with Christian dedication let us make visions become realities.

Henry L. Searle

Christian Minister Is Elected Mayor At Madras

Jack Naff, pastor of the First Christian Church in Madras, was elected to the office of mayor in that city at the general election on Tuesday, November 8. More votes were cast for him that were cast for both his opponents together.

It was at the request of a "Committee for Better City Government" that Jack began his political race. With the consent of the local church board he entered his name as a candidate with the hope that "his ministry would be broadened in the future and that Christ could have his way in this community."

Jack, 34, is married and has three children. He has been minister at Madras since 1957. This is his first pastorate.

DEDICATION
Junction City Church
Dec. 11, 3:00 P.M.

New-Church Advance Gains Momentum In Oregon

The New Church Advance program sponsored by the Oregon Christian Missionary Society as a part of the Decade of Decision is gradually gaining momentum. Nearly 40 of our congregations throughout the state have made some kind of commitment to the financial goals that have been set up for the first year of the Decade of Decision, and it is expected that others will make commitments in the near future.

The first new church project is the Lynchwood Church, in a large suburban development east of Portland, where a four-acre site has been purchased. The State Society has employed Raymond Helseth as minister for this embryonic church. Ray has been making many personal contacts, conducting neighborhood meetings, and investigating possibilities for a meeting place in the neighborhood.

The Board of Church Extension has been concerned with this project from the start, has loaned money on the purchase of the site, and has made recommendations as to steps toward erecting the first unit of the building. Sherman Moore, Director of Evangelism and New Church Development, and Raymond Helseth had a conference recently with Charles Betts of the Board of Church Extension in regard to plans for building. It is hoped that the first unit will be built early in 1961.

Simultaneous with the announcement of definite plans for starting construction on the first unit of the Lynchwood Church will be the launching of the **Decade Club of New Church Builders,** which has been planned by the New Church Committee as a part of Oregon's New Church Advance program. An effort will be made to enlist 1000 Christian Church members in the state who will agree to contribute $10 each time announcement is made for the breaking of ground for a new church building. No more than two calls during a calendar year will be made for this fund. Further details of the Decade Club will be announced in the near future.

It is the plan of the New Church Committee to provide approximately $35,000 in aid for each new church project. About half of this amount will go toward providing a site and assistance on the first unit of the building and the other half for pastoral aid. In view of the anticipated need for at least 21 new churches during the Decade of Decision, the New Church Committee has set a schedule of one new church each year during the next four years, increasing to two churches a year during the other part of the Decade, and three new churches a year toward the end of the Decade.

The growth of Christian Church membership in Oregon in the future will depend very largely upon the establishment of new churches in new residential areas in the rapidly growing sections of our state. Every congregation in the state is urged to make New Church Advance a vital part of its annual financial program.

PREACHERS PARLIAMENT COMING TO—
Northwest Christian College

by Dr. Ross J. Griffeth

The Northwest Preachers Parliament will meet at Northwest Christian College on January 3, 4, 5, 1961. The first meeting will be at 7:30 P.M. on January 4, 1961.

Dr. Cecil K. Thomas will bring the Northwest Christian College New Testament Lectures. The title of his lectures will be: THE SPIRIT OF THE LIVING GOD. The lectures will be concerned with the New Testament teachings on the Holy Spirit. One period will be reserved for discussion of the lectures.

Other items in the Preachers Parliament will include sermons and discussion periods. While the meeting is primarily directed to the interests of preachers, the sessions are open to all interested persons.

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Dr. Donald A. McGavran joins the Northwest Christian College Faculty on January 1, 1961, as Director of the Institute of Church Growth. Dr. McGavran will conduct a dynamic program of study and research on "How Churches Grow." His book on this subject has received worldwide attention.

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The 1959 Northwest Christian College New Testament Lectures, which were given by Dr. William R. Baird, are now in print under the title, "The Message and Mission of Paul." This book is published by Abingdon and can be purchased through any bookseller. Dr. Baird, a graduate of Northwest Christian College, is now New Testament Professor at The College of the Bible, Lexington, Kentucky.

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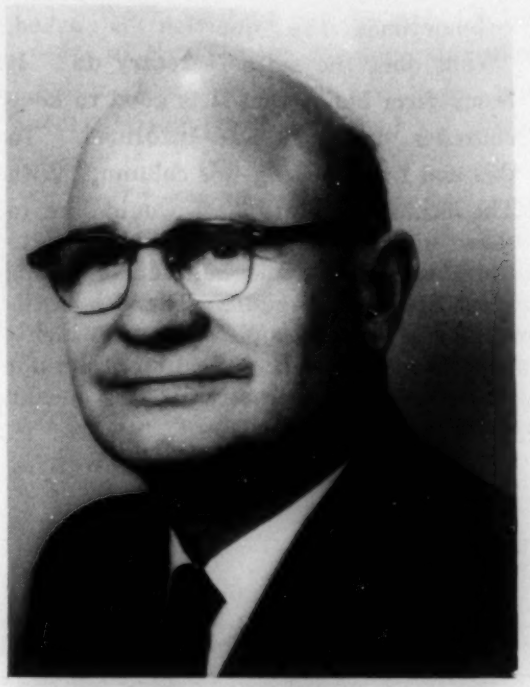
THE ONE THOUSAND MILE ADVANCE in Quality Christian Education continues to advance at a steady rate. The purpose of this Advance program is to secure $528,000 for the Property Fund at Northwest Christian College. So far a sufficient amount of money has come in to make possible the purchase of Harmon House and to put it in shape for use. Some fifty young men are housed in this new addition to the campus properties. As funds accumulate, plans to complete Burkey Hall will be advanced. The architects are now preparing working plans for this building project. Work will be started on construction when funds are on hand to insure completion of at least the next unit without incurring debt.



E. M. ELDRIDGE

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The annual Northwest Christian College Day in the churches will be observed on April 23 and 30, 1961. Two days will be needed in order that all congregations of the Northwest may share in this significant annual event. Work is now being done in preparation for N. C. C. Day in the churches. Be sure to reserve a date on your calendar.

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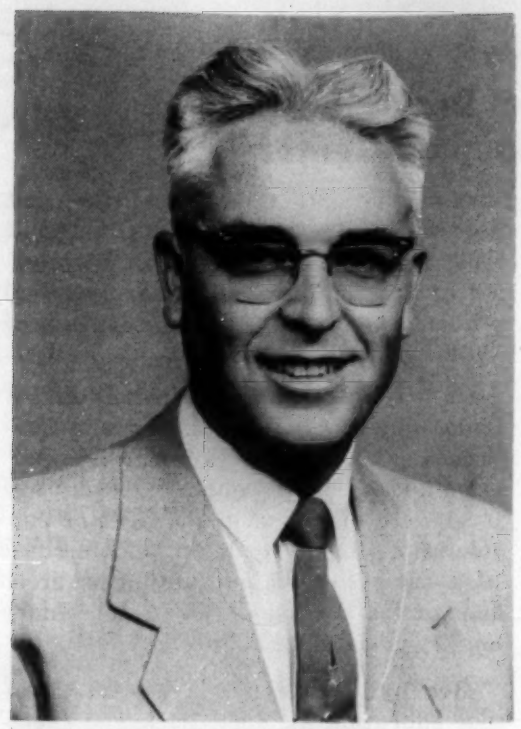
Mr. E. M. Eldridge, who has been Field Representative of Northwest Christian College for thirteen years, will become Director of Development for Jarvis Christian College on January 1, 1961. The work which he has been doing will be distributed among other staff members of N. C. C.

CHRISTIAN CHURCHES (DISCIPLES OF JAMAICA have issued a call to American ministers to help in an evangelistic campaign on that Caribbean island during January and February, 1961.

Enlisting of the ministers is being handled by Mrs. Mae Yoho Ward and Donald M. Salmon of The United Christian Missionary Society.



JOHN STOTSENBERG

Manager Employed by NW Christian Home

Mr. John Stotsenberg has been employed to fill the newly created office of Home Manager for Northwestern Christian Home. He has been approved also by the National Benevolent Association of Christian Churches. A successful minister in churches of Oregon, Washington, and Idaho, and for several years District Manager with Field Enterprises Educational Corp., he is well qualified for the position. He is a graduate of Northwestern Christian College.

Mrs. E. Pearl Finley, who has served outstandingly as superintendent of the Home for the past seven years, will continue in that capacity. The growth of the work under her direction has necessitated additional help in the employment of a Home Manager.

The Home capacity has been nearly doubled in the past eight years, and plans are now being made for further expansion.

CONVENTION IS DESCRIBED FOR— OREGON CHRISTIAN WOMEN'S FELLOWSHIP

by Idella Osburn

The 1960 International Convention of the Christian Church (Disciples of Christ), held in Louisville, Kentucky, is now history. It will surely be noted as one of the greatest conventions in the history of the Disciples. Total registrations of 10,155 exceeded past records. Between 12,000 to 14,000 attended the Communion service on Sunday afternoon.

Less than two dozen attended from Oregon. Special recognition was given the Lee Scott family of Lebanon, Oregon, who made the trip to Kentucky in their pick-up camper, a home on wheels. We are proud of the Scott's and pay tribute to them for their diligence in serving their Christ to the utmost by availing themselves of the opportunity to become better informed and inspired. Truly the International Convention of our brotherhood serves this purpose.

HIGHLIGHTS

There were many highlights to the convention. Among them was the complete afternoon devoted to the fortieth anniversary of the United Christian Missionary Society, which started with the luncheon entitled, "feeding of the 5000," and concluded with the dramatization, "The Burning Hour". The loaves and the fishes for the luncheon were chicken box lunches. The program was a Jet Flight 222, with the 5000 luncheon guests taking a world tour—glimpses—in short-wave style, visiting our work at home and around the world, with representatives speaking live from the center of the room, on current events regarding their particular country and mission.

BURNING HOUR

The Burning Hour was a magical presentation showing yesterday, today, and tomorrow, in which viewers and listeners were able to see all three era's at the same time. The script was focused on the Statement of Purpose set forth in the "Code of Regulations" of the United Society. "That the world may the more fully come to know Christ, the Son of God: etc."

CANE RIDGE

As the convention took place in Kentucky, many delegates visited Cane Ridge, the birthplace of our movement, which lies some seventy-five miles from Louisville. Mr. and Mrs. Gerald Sawyer, one of our young couples from Oregon attending College of the Bible, Kentucky, took the writer to see this historical spot. As we stood there, in the meadow-like clearing at the foot of Barton W. Stone's grave and in front of the Cane Ridge Meeting House, we were inspired to the depths of our being by the knowledge that here was hallowed ground—where thousands gathered to hear such great men as Barton Stone and Alexander Campbell preach the plea of unity of God's people, and our communion began. Somehow we wondered, were we measuring up to the heritage placed in our hands?

Congratulations

News has reached this office that a former district secretary, Ardie Naff, has become first lady of her town. Jack Naff, pastor of Madras Christian Church and popular civic leader, was elected to the mayorship of that city at the November election. Our congratulations go to the Naff family for this honor bestowed upon them.

Each of the nine district secretaries across Oregon held luncheon meetings in their homes for all the presidents and secretaries of the Fellowships in their respective districts. Attendance was good, and most of the churches were represented. Mrs. Smith, president, and Mrs. Osburn, secretary, acted as resource leaders.

MAKING PLANS for the Bible School at the Tillamook Christian Church are Art Pfaff, left, superintendent, and Truman Robbins, minister.

MINISTERS' ORIENTATION

A conference to be held in Indianapolis, January 10 and 11, 1961, will provide an opportunity for ministers and their wives to become better acquainted with leadership and work of state and national brotherhood agencies. This will be the sixth ministers' orientation conference sponsored by Unified Promotion.

Invitations went from Unified Promotion to all ministers of the brotherhood in October. The first 150 ministers and wives who register will be enrolled for the conference, which will be held in the Missions Building. Unified Promotion will furnish breakfasts and lodging during the two-day meeting. Persons attending will be expected to pay their own travel expenses.

Many who have attended orientation conferences in previous years have indicated that the discussions and fellowship with brotherhood leaders have proved helpful in their work with local congregations. Those wishing to attend the 1961 conference are urged to register at an early date.

STUDY COMMITTEE of the Forest Grove CYF at Silver Falls State Park: at left are Mike Moore, co-chairman, and Don Alloway, chairman; at right, beginning with the front, are Mrs. James Adult, committee advisor, Linda Boosinger, and Linda Stewart.

Forest Grove CYF Holds Fall Retreat

The boys prepared a 5:30 A.M. breakfast to get the Forest Grove C. Y. F. off to an early start for its fall planning retreat. There were 27 youth and adult counselors who survived the breakfast and took the early morning trip to Silver Creek Falls for the day of worship, planning, and fun. Each of the five committees spent several hours in planning for the next half-year.

One of the big things for planning and discussion was the State Commission, which Forest Grove will host in March, 1961. Each committee is responsible for some phase of work for this large undertaking. After the committees met, president Clarence Ortman conducted a meeting of the entire group for the purpose of sharing and coordinating plans.

The afternoon was spent in planned recreation and hiking. The retreat held on Oct. 8, was planned by Dwain Spooner and his recreational committee. Roger Davidson and Virgil Cedergreen were the adult counselors.

MEALTIME at the Retreat

HOW CAN WE BEST EDUCATE IN CHRISTIANITY?

Planning Conference Draws Educators To Portland Training Center

Where do you feel should be the most important emphasis for Christian education in Oregon during the Decade of Decision? This was the question given to about 40 members of the State Society's Education Commission and its committees in the Age-Level Planning Conference, held at the Boy Scout Training Center in Portland, November 10-12.

Many needs were mentioned, including emphasis on bringing the family together, coordination of all types of camping, Christian higher education, seminary training in Christian education, better concepts of Christian education and evangelism, and outreach to meet the needs of the expanding population.

However, the need most strongly stated was for the motivation, enlistment, and training of leadership to attain the brotherhood objective: To teach Jesus Christ to all persons so that they, confronted with the issues of this decade, may be impelled and enabled to make decisions in the light of the gospel.

Charged with the most important need in Christian education in Oregon and the brotherhood objective for the decade, the following committees held sessions, to project program, make calendars, and work out budgets for 1962-63: Children's committee (Mrs. Merritt Parks, chairman); committee on CYF work (David Branson, chairman); committee on Chi Rho work (James Edwards, acting chairman); committee on adult work (Don Rogers, chairman); and committee on family life (Claude Baskett, chairman).

At the plenary session, just before the close of the Conference, in addition to calendarizing and presenting budgets, certain indications of new and thrilling phases of Christian education were projected for the Decade. The family-life committee will be trying to arrange for a family-life coordinator in each church so that family-life materials and programs can be channeled into every church.

The adult committee has established a time schedule and program to stimulate the local church to examine itself from the standpoint of adult education—what it is and what it could be. A member of the state adult-education committee will serve as a counselor and guide to a local church wanting to evaluate its own program.

For the first time the youth took part in an Age-Level Conference, when members of the state CYF Commission met for two days of planning with the adult CYF Commission. The children's committee is planning for junior day and resident camps starting in the summer of 1961.

On Friday evening, a panel on "A Philosophy of Church Camping and Conferencing" was held, in which the program and needs of campers at every age level were discussed in the light of considerations to be made in the purchase of a camp site. Elby Boosinger, president of the Oregon Christian Missionary Society, was a special guest.

Mrs. Lynnette Rhay, director of Christian education at Kern Park and member of the education commission, served as chairman for the Conference. Henry Searle, executive secretary of the Oregon Christian Missionary Society, was vesper speaker and resource leader. Other leaders were Miss Loma Mae Jones, state director of Christian education, and James Fraley, chairman of the education commission of the Oregon Christian Missionary Society.

Northwestern Christian Home Adds to "Family"

NORTHWESTERN CHRISTIAN HOME added to the "Family" residents as follows: Mrs. Mamie Lewis, former staff member, from Beaverton; Mrs. Bertha Tennis from Dallas, Oregon; Mrs. Maria Campbell from Lebanon; Mrs. Helen Paterson from Kern Park in Portland; Mrs. Mamie Hill from Court St. in Salem; Mr. and Mrs. Isaac Fast from Oregon City; Mrs. Ada Bake from Tillamook; Miss Zillah Barker from The Valley, Hood River; Mrs. Anna Johnson from First Church in Portland; Mr. Frank Cook from First Church in Eugene; Mrs. Grace Gruelick from First Church, Portland; Mrs. Lucinda Alexander from Central Church in Portland.

The Home is happy to have all of these folk as members of its big "family". They and forty others from churches in Oregon, Washington, Montana, and Idaho are dependent on the Christmas offerings to aid in their care. Oregon has thirty-seven people receiving the services of the Home.

Evangelism Is Topic Of Eight Conferences With Oregon Pastors

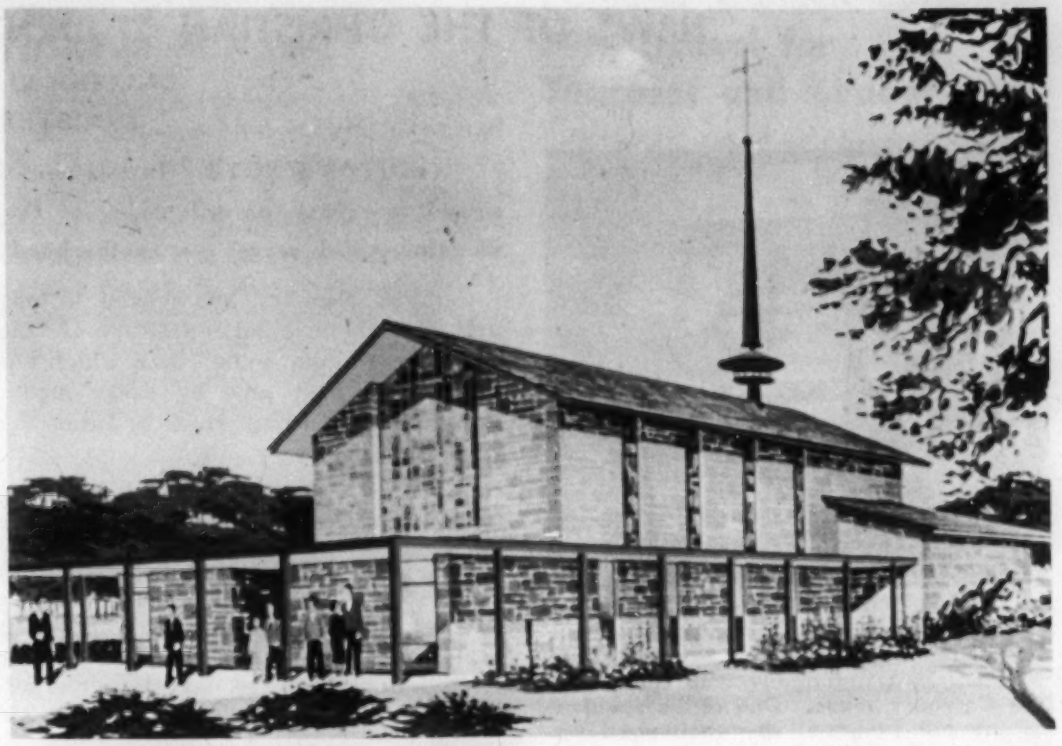
Robert Mulkey, minister of the First Christian Church, Bend, and Sherman Moore, Director of Evangelism and Church Development for the Oregon Christian Missionary Society, recently completed a series of eight Conferences on Evangelism, sponsored by the Commission on Evangelism of the State Society. The conferences were held at Bend, Salem, Roseburg, Eugene, Tillamook, Portland, Pendleton, and Baker. A total of 64 ministers and several laymen attended the conferences, each of which began at 10:00 a.m. and continued to 4:00 p.m.

Most of the conference period was spent in hearing and discussing reports given by Robert Mulkey of the Institute on Evangelism held at Christian Theological Seminary for a ten-day period last summer under the joint sponsorship of the Theological Seminary and the Department of Evangelism of the United Christian Missionary Society. The Bend Church and the Oregon Christian Missionary Society shared in the expense of the trip for Mr. Mulkey, and a scholarship was furnished by the Seminary and U. C. M. S. The Institute was attended by 27 persons from various parts of the United States.

Principal leadership personnel for the Institute consisted of G. Paul Musselman, executive director, Department of Evangelism, National Council of Churches of Christ; Dr. Thomas W. Toler of Oakland, California; Dr. Thomas Klink, Menninger Clinic, Topeka, Kansas; Donald Salmon, executive secretary, Dept. of Evangelism, UCMS; Professor Joseph M. Smith and Professor George C. Stewart of Christian Theological Seminary. Similar institutes are planned for the future to be held in a number of our seminaries.

Some time was spent in each of the conferences under the leadership of Sherman Moore in discussing the New Church Advance program for the Decade of Decision. These discussions proved helpful in acquainting ministers of the state with the new-church development plans that are being developed by the state New Church Committee and in securing helpful suggestions from the ministers.

Many of the ministers voiced sincere appreciation to Bob Mulkey for the excellent way in which he shared with them his experiences in attending the Institute on Evangelism. Our whole state is deeply indebted to Bob for this contribution he made and also to his congregation who helped make it possible for him to attend the Institute and also to lead these Conferences on Evangelism in our state.



PROPOSED CHAPEL for Woodhaven Christian Home, Columbia, Missouri.

National Benevolent Association Plans Major Expansion; Will Build Home for Exceptional Children

The proposed Woodhaven Christian Home was recognized as a national residential center and school for exceptional children by the official board of the Home at its first meeting on October 10, 1960.

The new Home, to be built near Columbia, Missouri, will be the nineteenth for needy children and older persons in the network of The National Benevolent Association of the Christian Churches (Disciples of Christ).

Dr. Romans Smith, minister of Swope Park Christian Church, Kansas City, Missouri, was elected chairman of the new board.

As temporary chairman, Charles M. Palmer, present administrator of the St. Louis, (Missouri) Christian Home for children, where the board meeting was held, read a historical statement of Woodhaven plans, which were initiated in 1957. Mr. Palmer is administrator-elect of the Woodhaven Home.

The Woodhaven Home is a major thrust in expansion for the NBA in the Disciples' Decade of Decision Program of Advance. It will serve children who suffer from mental deficiency or impairment, as well as those who are multiple-handicapped. In addition to care and treatment of such needy children, irrespective of race or creed, both training and education will be provided as necessary with the University of Missouri in an ideal relationship. Woodhaven will be a self-contained community on a 30-acre plot.

Other officers of the 12-member Woodhaven board are Judge Cullen Coil, Jefferson City, Missouri, vice-chairman; Warren Conner, Columbia, Missouri, secretary; and Norman S. Ellington, St. Louis, Missouri, treasurer. The board will eventually be enlarged so as to provide for representation of persons from the entire nation.

Alan Hoener, of P. John Hoener and Associates, architects and engineers, discussed the site plan and preliminary sketches of buildings of the $2,500,000 colony for exceptional children.

Judge Jefferson Davis Greer, 97, resident of the Oklahoma Christian Home, Edmond, made the first unsolicited gift to Woodhaven with $2,000 he received from a life-insurance policy which was paid in full because of his age.

Future meetings of the Woodhaven board will be held in Columbia, Missouri. The next will be on November 14, 1960.

Other members of the board are: Mrs. John H. Caldwell, Lakeland, Florida; Mrs. J. O. Moore, St. Louis, Missouri; Mr. Charles Jones Russell, Chesterfield, Missouri; Mr. Wendell Sears, Jefferson City, Missouri; Mrs. J. D. Sigler, Dexter, Missouri; Dr. Leslie R. Smith, Lexington, Kentucky; the Rev. James I. Spainhower, Marshall, Missouri; Mrs. James Washburn, LaBelle, Missouri.

NEWS OF THE CHRISTIAN STUDENT CENTERS

EMILY LOGAN (Mrs. Victor Logan), member of the State Industrial Accident Commission, chats informally with students at the Corvallis house. One of the speakers of the fall program, she challenged students to take an active interest in politics.

RICHARD FLOOD, CAMPUS MINISTER AT CORVALLIS

"A Week-end in Prison" was the theme for the Fall Retreat at Menucha, Nov. 11-13, sponsored by Corvallis Christian Student Center through the OSC Campus Religious Council. Dr. Wayne Rood of Pacific School of Religion, along with one PSR student and two graduates of PSR, led in a Biblical and theological study of Christopher Fry's play, "A Sleep of Prisoners."

Two Disciples were in the group, Carrol Cotton, present student body president of PSR and graduate of Chapman College, and Ralph Prime, minister of music at First Church in Orange, California (also a graduate of Chapman). Those attending the retreat from the student center were Susie Cannon (Coos Bay), Judy Herbison (Eugene), Jackie Girvin (Vale), Victor Bak Sung Kim, Jr. (Hawaii), and Mr. Flood.

Miss Neil Carlson, graduate of NCC, will visit the OSC campus December 7 and 8, speaking on behalf of volunteer Christian service opportunities for the UCMS. Nell participated in a Disciples work camp at Avalon Christian Church and All People's Christian Church and Community Center in 1956. In 1958 she began two years of volunteer service abroad, working first in the Evangelische Hilfswerk in a children's vacation-recovery home, in a refugee camp, train station mission, social-welfare office, and training home for crippled young people.

Joyce Rogers (Sheridan) is the new editor of the Beaver Beacon. The paper is being printed this year, and it is hoped that soon we will be able to send a copy to each church in Oregon.

DULCINA ELLIOTT, CAMPUS MINISTER AT EUGENE

(EDITOR'S NOTE: In this issue Mrs. Elliott begins an educational series, designed to reveal the uniqueness of the problems and opportunities of the campus ministry, which serves our brotherhood at Oregon's institutions of higher learning.)

Campus Ministry has moved a long way from the original conception of "the home away from home" idea which has been taken over now by every motel, club, and tavern that wants to entice the lonely or unwary.

Today we talk much about the mission of the church. We emphasize its mission to the aged, to children, to families, to cultures, to youth. It certainly has a mission to campus where the population explosion is at its peak, and the influx of students within the next decade is expected to double college enrollments. We are all talking about Education: education in Soviet Russia, the lack of education in strife-torn Congo, and the ever-changing patterns of education at all levels in America.

As a brotherhood, we are jointly stressing a "Decade of Decision". Yet many of us have failed to realize that no decade can be more important in the life of an individual than that one which encompasses his college days. It is preeminently a decade of decisions: whom to marry, what vocation to follow, what moral standards to adhere to, whether to conform or to hold out for one's ideals, who will be lifelong friends, whether integrity is worth the price, and even what is one's attitude toward religion.

Is it to be that of abstract appraiser or of active participation, critic or evangelist, self-centered recipient or outgoing worker in a needy world? Is one's idea of God static or growing? Is his concept of the church that of an institution which will help him achieve his own personal goals, or is it a challenging fellowship of those who are committed to serve others in the name of the Lord Jesus Christ? Students are in the midst of their own decade of decisions, facing problems far more complex than most of us can realize. Among these problems are the following:

1. The student's need to stand on his own. Too many have come to college from homes where parents, particularly mothers, have sheltered and over-protected their children, thus depriving them of the opportunity to make their own choices. They arrive on campus with no practice in the evaluating of situations and making decisions. They tend to go along with the crowd, just as at home they went along with the family. Experience in earlier days could have helped greatly to make them realize that "whatsoever a man soweth, that shall he also reap". Had they learned the hard way that wrong decisions bring hardship, they would be better prepared for the new environment and the new temptations that life away from home inevitably means.

2. The student's idea of church. He often chooses his church because he "likes the minister", "enjoys" the music, or goes wherever his roommate takes him. After all the discussion of the Catholic church in recent weeks, it may well give Protestants pause to wonder if they ever heard a Catholic who chose his church because he did or didn't "like" the priest, "enjoy" the music, or wait for someone else to take him.

What have we in our Protestant Discipleship lacked at this point? Where have our high schoolers been placing their primary loyalty that it does not seem to transfer when they go into a new environment?

3. Time, which is becoming an acute problem for students. With classes being held at noons, on Saturdays, and evenings, there scarcely seems any period left when even the biblical "two or three" can be gathered together. This means the church's ministry must be increasingly to the individual in terms of his schedule and his needs, with probably less emphasis on group activities.

(to be continued in January issue)

LA GRANDE STUDENTS ELECT OFFICERS

Dr. and Mrs. Carlos Easley are advisers for the D.S.F. group at the La Grande First Christian Church. Recently the college youth elected the following officers: Sharon Bloom of La Grande, president; Stan Case of Pendleton, vice president; Linda Rambo of Milton-Freewater, secretary-treasurer.

The D.S.F. group meets each Thursday evening from 5:30 to 7:30 P.M. for a dinner, followed by devotions and a discussion period.

DEDICATION
Junction City Church
Dec. 11, 3:00 P.M.

Committee Sets Theme For 1961 Convention At Turner

"Even Greater Things" (John 14:12) is the theme for the 1961 Oregon Christian Convention to be held at Turner, June 27 through July 2. This was one of many decisions made at a meeting of the Program Committee in Portland on October 6. Present at the meeting were Harold Lyman, Chairman, Earl Hastings, Rex Lawson, Murl Jones, Mrs. David Nutting, James Smith, and Henry Searle. The convention program was developed and guest speakers were chosen.

At a meeting of the Executive Committee and Chairmen of the Standing Committees in mid-September, suggestions received at the convention and across the state were considered. Brethren across the state are urged to make suggestions and uphold the convention in their prayers.

Officers are James Smith, president (Roseburg); Orris Doty, vice president (Coquille); Mrs. David Nutting, vice-president (Lebanon); Harry Atkins, secretary (Dufur); Bob Pfeiffer, treasurer (Salem); and Ed Dewees, business manager (Turner). Chairmen of standing committees are Ray Smith, Grounds (Willamina); Walter Myers, Registrations (Eugene); Blewford Osburn, Tabernacle (Lebanon); and Bob Mulkey, Publicity (Bend). Offerings may be sent to the treasurer at the West Security Bank, 2715 S.E. Commercial, Salem, Oregon.

Named as Delegates to the Recommendations Committee of the International Convention and attending at Louisville are Kenneth Johnston, Chairman, Wallace Hastings, and Carroll C. Roberts.

PRAYER CHAIN PLANNED

A 1961 "Chain of Prayer," 24-hour prayer vigil conducted by Christian Churches, will open Jan. 1, continuing through Easter Sunday, April 2. The program is designed to help the churches to prepare spiritual foundations for evangelistic outreach.

Congregations are being encouraged to select their day or days for participation. They are being asked to send this information to the department of evangelism, 222 South Downey Avenue, Indianapolis 7, Indiana.

Forest Grove Is Host To Kenneth Potee

Dr. Kenneth Potee and Mr. and Mrs. Keith Salmonson were special guests of the Forest Grove Christian Church on Sunday, November 6. Dr. Potee has been a missionary in India since 1921, serving with the United Christian Missionary Society. Mrs. Salmonson is Dr. Potee's daughter. The Salmonsons have spent some time in India, where Keith was an agricultural missionary. They now reside at Junction City.

Dr. Potee came early in the evening and joined the Chi Rho and C. Y. F. in their recreation and supper time. Then as the group moved into their study time, they were thrilled by his very colorful animal stories of India. His speech for evening worship was illustrated by pictures that brought to life the work done by Christian missionaries in India.

The Loyal Disciple Class of the church are supporting three students in one of the schools to which he administers funds. The class had an opportunity to meet Dr. Potee and talk to him in an informal way at a coffee hour following the evening service.

Dr. Clifford Weare, on Furlough from Africa, Will Be in U.S. This Year

Dr. & Mrs. Clifford Weare and their family are living at 278 W. F Street, Burns. Dr. Weare is one of our medical missionaries at Wema, Congo. He will be taking post-graduate work at the University of Oregon Medical School, Portland. Their children are Bill, 13, Sally, 12, and John, 10.

They have just completed their first term of service and hence will be in the States this year on furlough. If you would like to have them in your church, clear with Ira Paternoster, Dept. of Resources, United Christian Missionary Society. They have a real message to tell of their experiences in the Congo. Dr. Weare has already spoken at the CYF World Fellowship Youth Meet at Burns.

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Portland Council Sets 39th School for Teachers and Leaders

The 39th School of Christian Service, sponsored by the Greater Portland Council of Churches, will be in session in Portland, January 23 through February 27, 1961.

The School is for teachers and leaders, both those now in a position of leadership and those who are potential leaders or teachers.

The School has grown from 375 in 1957 to 902 in 1960, and should reach 1,000 in 1961.

The School meets on six successive Monday evenings, January 23 through February 27, from 7.30 to 9:30 P.M., in the "Park Blocks" at these neighboring churches:

Children's section at St. James Lutheran.
Youth section at First Congregational.
Adult (Churchmanship) section at First Christian.

Franklin Church Calls Harvick as Minister

The new minister at the Franklin Church of Christ is Thomas Harvick, who is serving this church while he attends Northwest Christian College.

Mr. Marvick was ordained to the Christian ministry recently in a ceremony at the North Long Beach Christian Church in California.

Thomas Harvick is entering the ministry after spending eight years in the Navy and nine years in industry (a supervisor for North American Aviation). He has been attending Pacific Bible Seminary and serving as director of Christian education at North Long Beach Christian Church.

Mr. and Mrs. Harvick have two children.

THOMAS HARVICK

Around The State With The Churches

JUNCTION CITY: One added by baptism, 2 otherwise. Moved into our new building on November 6. Attendance is above last year. Gilbert Knox, minister.

HOOD RIVER: First Men's breakfast programs resumed with a good attendance at the Saturday morning meeting. Paul Walker, local Methodist minister, was speaker. Young people participated in the UNICEF "Trick-or-Treat" calling this year. Youth group has begun program of monthly visits to shut-ins with seven teams participating in the first visitation. Jim Edwards, minister.

DALLAS: We have added a new member to our staff. Delbert Gault, minister of education, began work October 30. The youth program is moving forward under the direction of Alda Meek. CYF went on their fall planning retreat and now have their program in full swing. There are several Chi Rho and CYF young people planning to attend World Fellowship Youth meetings. Chi Rho planning retreat was held at Turner, November 25-26. Plans are well under way for our Christmas program, "And It Came to Pass," under the direction of Mrs. Melba Black. CWF and CMF groups are hard at work in their program for the fall and winter. Both are growing. Philip Wolfe, minister.

PORTLAND-MALLORY AVE: Three added by baptism, 1 otherwise. Planning participation in "Mission to Portland" which will be conducted during the Easter-Pentecost period. This will be a United effort of many Protestant churches with support for a community survey given by the Portland Junior Chamber of Commerce. Cliff Trout, minister.

CORVALLIS: Two added by baptism, 26 otherwise. CMF held a wild-game night; about 60 dads and sons enjoyed deer, elk, pheasant, fish, etc. The membership department sponsored a very successful "All-Church Fun Night" for Halloween with over 100 in attendance. The remodeling project, which has been in progress for four months, is nearing completion. We are to host the Oregon Assembly next February and will have the building in pretty good shape by that time, with a new heating plant, etc. Glyn B. Adsit, minister.

NEWPORT: One added by baptism, 3 otherwise. At recent meetings the pastor was elected as president of the Lincoln County Council of Churches and as secretary-treasurer of the local Ministerial Association. A community presentation of "The Messiah" is being planned for December 18 at 8 p.m. The choir of this church is participating. On December 7, we will hold our annual CWF Christmas potluck dinner. Wallace Prowell, pastor.

HARRISBURG: Annual election of officers. The committee method of distributing responsibilities is proving very successful. Good attendance for the month of forums on various phases of family life. Moderators were Dr. Lawrence Bixler, John Boosinger, Thelma Siefke and Ward Rice, all of NCC. A week of successful meetings held, with Jim Smith, pastor of First Church in Roseburg. A beef and a half were presented to Northwestern and Turner Memorial Homes. Vivian Blehm, reporter. Rex Jones, pastor.

PENDLETON: Three added by baptism. Stewardship program for 1961 is now in full swing. Church has just completed the best financial year in its history. Rev. Carman Mell, of Spokane, Washington, has been selected as ad-interim pastor, to succeed Donald Payne, who is moving to Bremerton, Washington. Eighteen-hour prayer vigil held on October 27. Youth participated in UNICEF drive.

OAKRIDGE: We are looking forward to cutting our minister's necktie Christmas Sunday. In order to do this, we must have in church school, during December, one hundred or more each Sunday. We have the roof almost completed on our new church building. Ted L. Jones, minister.

SPRINGFIELD: One added by baptism, 7 otherwise. James Fraley, minister.

SEASIDE: Held two baptisms in the church, two Methodists baptized by the Methodist minister. Lost two by removal. Wilbur R. Hensley, pastor.

KERN PARK: Three added by baptism. We had 37 young people and adults attend the Fall Officers' Retreat of the CYF. Eighth annual School of Tithing was held November 2-November 20 (Consecration Sunday). Great interest was shown by our members who wanted to know what God has to say to us in the important matter of financing our faith. Conferences are being held with the consulting architect from the Board of Church Extension regarding plans for additional buildings. Kenneth Johnston, minister.

BEND: Since the last report a church-school bus has been activated, and contacts are being made by the evangelistic committee all along a nine-mile route throughout the city. The third annual month-long Stewardship of Tithing Campaign is under way in November. Strong growth is being noted in leadership development and in the performance of a church school that is running over last year nearly every Lord's Day. A 24-hour prayer vigil, the second in the history of the congregation, was well supported as the feature which this year launched the Tithing Campaign with a Spiritual Emphasis. Bob Mulkey, pastor.

PORTLAND - SELLWOOD: D. D. Priest, pastor, shared the pulpit with a Gideon representative on October 23. A special offering was taken and $25.60 presented to the Gideons International. October 20 was Turner Sunday and a generous amount of food stuffs were brought for the the home. M. Mellinger, reporter.

THE DALLES: Two added by baptism, 2 otherwise. Our Festival of Faith, led by Medford Jones. held November 20-December 2. Building now paid off and mortgage burning held December 4. Our minister moved into the new parsonage at 2510 Mt. Hood and the assistant minister into the present parsonage. Annual election and all-church dinner held, November 6. H. Harold Johnson, minister.

EUGENE-BETHEL: One added by baptism, 7 otherwise. It is our custom to emphasize local needy situations at Thanksgiving and the Colorado Children's Home for Christmas. With these in mind we are preparing to make this a record year for these two projects. Dr. Guy Wright of NCC presented his Bible display on Bible Sunday. Women's Day held with the women taking complete charge of the service. The monister, Steve Fenn, reported on his trip to the International Convention through colored slides and narration. December 18 is set aside as Decision Day with the evangelism committee calling in November and December.

MT. VERNON: Held a "Victory Dinner" at which offering for completion of the education unit was received. On an "above-and-beyond" basis, $226 was collected. Verlin Trude, stewardship chairman. Jay Foffman, minister.

MADRAS: Building committee met with David Harkness, A.I.A., concerning future building. Nothing definite has been planned as yet. Our Harvest In-Gathering was held November 20 with a projected goal increased to $2500 to move the parsonage from the present site, to make room for building. This project has already been approved by the church. Sunday school engaged in attendance contest with Dallas church. Jack Naff, pastor.

GRANTS PASS: CWF served a luncheon for the district secretary, ministers and wives, assistant ministers and wives, CWF presidents, and CWF secretaries from Medford, Grants Pass, and Glendale. State CWF president, Beulah Smith, state CWF worship chairman, Virginia Cook, and district 7 CWF secretary, Betty Mainard, led the program held October 28. Host church for World Fellowship Youth meet directed by Mrs. Glen McKerrow, with John Martin, Mel Atkins, George Knox, Mrs. James Cline,

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CHRISTMAS GREETINGS
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A CHRISTIAN HOME OF HOMES

"Be not afraid; for behold, I bring you good tidings of great joy which shall be to all the people: for there is born to you this day in the city of David a Saviour, who is Christ the Lord." Luke 2:10; 11.

Once again we lift our voices and our hearts in praise to God for His great gift of His only begotten Son. Our thanks and our prayers ascend to Him for the gifts and remembrance of all who have shared with us in Christ's Name.

TURNER MEMORIAL HOME
Turner, Oregon

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and Mrs. D. L. Mainard helping Our new minister, John Martin, was installed on October 23. Betty Mainard, reporter.

MEDFORD: Three added by baptism, 2 otherwise. Building-fund campaign is well under way. Six teams will call on all members of the church. A kick-off dinner for all workers on the campaign was held, November 16, at which time many pledges of workers was taken. Present plans call for the first units of the building to be completed and occupied by the fall of 1962. Fredrick Ross Evans, minister.

RAINBOW VALLEY: Three added by baptism, 6 otherwise. Wesley Schulz, minister.

YARNELL: One added by baptism. Dick Davidson, minister.

PORTLAND - FIRST: Three added by transfer. Harold Glen Brown, minister

LA GRANDE: Seven added by transfer. Church youth groups all meet on Thursday evening. This includes the Chi Rho, CYF, and DSF. Recently 78 youth and their advisers participated in the evening youth meetings. Wallace Hastings, pastor.

ALBANY - EASTSIDE: Three added by transfer. Our Bible school is having a contest with the Halsey Bible school. Our contest is for mileage points and we are having a race to Bethlehem to see if we can reach the birth place of Jesus (8740 miles distant) by Christmas Sunday. "Wise-men from the west." Three young women made the confession of faith and want special instruction before baptism. Our annual benefit turkey dinner in October was a good success. Bible school went over the 100 mark November 6 for the first time since Easter (103). Ralph W. Isaacson, pastor.

SALEM - FIRST: One added by baptism, 5 otherwise. Elders held a two-day retreat at Delake. CWF held "District Day" with 150 members and guests. Held all-church planning session. CYF had Fall Festival to help raise money for CWFF. Kenneth Potee brought sermon November 6. Annual Tasting Party held November 15, sponsored by CWF. "Pastor's Call" broadcast resumed November 14. Wayne Greene, minister.

NORTH BEND: Two added by baptism. Youth very active. Car wash net $15 for Christian World Friendship meet. Three attended the Chi Rho group and 5 the CYF meet. Henry Searle was guest speaker, October 30. CWF held a library tea, October 22, for the purchase of several new books for the church library. The church is justly proud of its very outstanding library and of its hard-working librarian, Mrs. T. T. Phillips. Mrs. Charles Dennis, reporter. Len Fishback, pastor.

ST. HELENS: Four added by baptism, 2 otherwise. We are currently engaged in a school of stewardship, which will conclude November 20 with a tithers' dedication service. Zone 1 WFYM was held here, November 18-19, for CYF. Wayne Mryant, minister.

EUGENE - FIRST: Eleven added by transfer. An offering of $576 was received October 16 for the African Emergency Fund. Christian Literature Week was observed with a Bible display by Dr. Guy Wright, the Church Supply House, and the American Bible society. Members were invited to see the display after morning worship and during the week. New books from the library were made available at the same time for checking out. Church loyalty period was continued through November with members and guests registering for each service. Reformation Sunday was observed with the showing of the "Martin Luther" film. Fifty-seven students have now placed student membership here. Remodeling and redecorating of the church kitchen has been completed. Carlton C. Buck, minister.

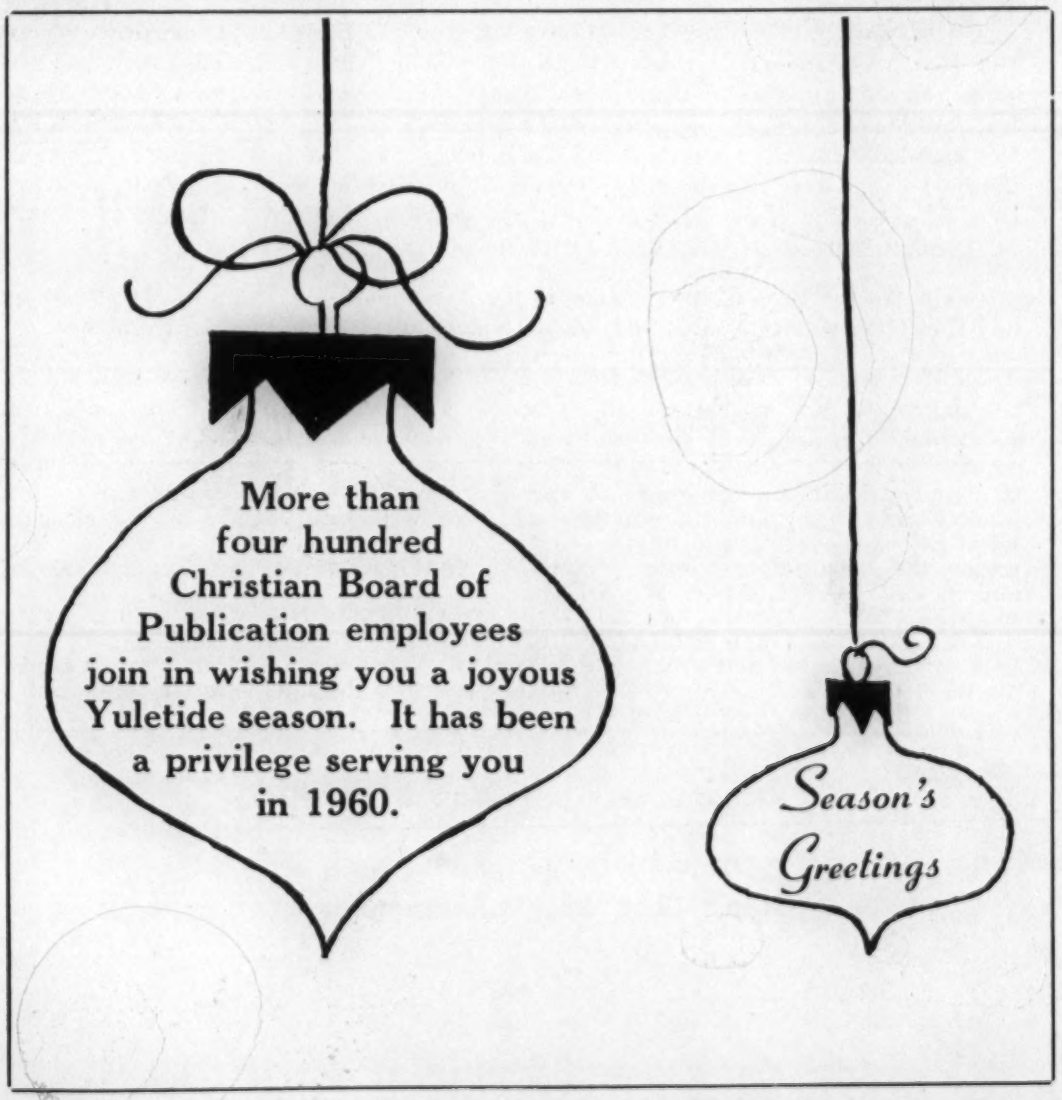
COQUILLE: We have added a new Christian flag and a new 50-star American flag to our sanctuary. We were host to the 5th-Sunday rally with 150 attending. Henry Searle gave the afternoon and evening message. The pastor, Orris Doty, is conducting a series of sermons on Revelations. During October the Sunday school had a contest of the women and girls against the men and boys. The women won, and a dinner was prepared for them by the men. The Christian Action committee sponsored a charm school for girls. Preaching mission, conducted by Ralph Holcom, on the book of Ephesians, was conducted in November. Flossie Wolgamott, reporter.

CORBETT: One added by baptism. A large representation attended school of Missions at Central Christian. Holding visitation to homes hoping to bring in new converts. Willamette Choir, with Elery Parrish, with us November 13 for the evening service. Minister Guy Armstrong is back in the pulpit after his recent illness.

MILTON-FREEWATER: Our faithful choir director, Sue Herndobler, has resigned, and new director is George White, music teacher at Walla Walla high school. Union C.E. convention here November 18-19 with Chuck Haynie as president. Men's dinner held November 6 with Henry Searle as speaker. Christian Literature Week was observed. Delegation attended CYF World Friendship meet at Nyssa, November 18-19. Irene Warner, reporter. Tom Stratton, interim minister.

PORTLAND - LYNCHWOOD: Have been holding Thursday-evening Bible study and have started membership roll and organization as of November 17. Both Mr. and Mrs. Helseth helped in the Chi Rho World Fellowship Youth Meet at Kern Park Church, November 18-19. Mr. Helseth spoke to the Greater Portland CWF Quarterly meeting at Kern Park, November 18. Have consulted with Board of Church Extension concerning a new building which we hope to erect as a first unit early next year. Raymond Helseth, minister.

HALFWAY: Bible-school attendance is still running double what it was last year. Mrs. Harriman was CWF speaker in Wallowa on October 4, after the Harrimans had just returned to Halfway from Eugene after the funeral of Mr. Harriman's sister, Edna. Community UNICEF trick or treat on Halloween netted $70, the first experience for it here. Henry Searle was Sunday night speaker, November 6. Mrs. Effie Ritchey of Milton-Freewater was guest speaker for our Loyal Women's meeting, November 2. Had delegation at Youth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Season's Greetings

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Meet in Nyssa, November 18-19. Winter snow will soon be closing in on us.

REDMOND: CE held their annual youth Retreat at Santiam Lodge; 18 took part. On returning home they had charge of the evening service. Marlin Love, minister.

GLENWOOD: Two student members added. Held evangelistic meeting, December 2-4, with Professor William Richardson of NCC as speaker. District Singspiration was held December 4. Miss Hattie Mitchell was Women's Day speaker, November 27. Larry Bingaman, minister.

WILLAMINA: Work on new addition showing progress with walls up and roof on. All being done by volunteer labor. Committee has completed a proposal for revision of constitution and by-laws. Dowell Callis from NCC, was guest speaker in October. Ray Smith, minister.

SWEET HOME: One aded by baptism. The exterior of the building has been painted by the men of the church. Earl F. Downing, minister.

McMINNVILLE: One added by baptism, 5 otherwise. S. James Osborne, interim minister.

PORTLAND - ST. JOHNS: One added by baptism, 1 otherwise. Bible school has been from 50-70 over the attendance at the same time last year. The "Redeem the Time" campaign encouraged the classes to work, and the results show. We are participating in the Union Thanksgiving service for churches in the St. Johns area. Murl Jones, minister.

PORTLAND-SOUTHEAST: Our minister, Gene Chamberlain, is holding a two-week meeting in Woodland, Washington. Wayne Jensen brought the morning and evening messages, November 13.

PRINEVILLE: Two added by transfer. Host to Fifth-Sunday rally of Central Oregon Christian churches, Oct. 5. David L. Welch, minister.

AMITY: Two added by transfer. We have called Harold Smith of Newberg as our pastor. Ernestine Shields, reporter.

LEXINGTON: Dowell Callis was guest speaker, September 25, to present the One Thousand Mile Advance of NCC. Harvest offering Sunday was November 6, with the offering that day going to the building fund. Walter R. Smith, minister.

FOREST GROVE: Two added by baptism, 3 otherwise. Homecoming Day saw a capacity crowd fill the basement dining hall. Highlight of the afternoon program was the showing of films from former homecomings. CWF has adopted a goal of $2300 and thus far have sent in $900 for the year. Urgent need for Sunday-school rooms has caused the board to set up a steering committee for an education wing to be attached to the present building. Loyal Disciples Class has undertaken to supply the potatoes for the winter for Northwestern Christian Home. Elby Boosinger, minister.

LEBANON: Two added by transfer. "Lynchwood Day" observed November 6 with a special offering of $250 received for the new church. Gifts totaling $160 have been received for the Congo Emergency Fund. November was observed as a month of friendly visitation and stewardship teaching. A community-wide program in behalf of UNICEF was carried out by the youth under the direction of Dave Downing and netted $370. David W. Nutting, minister.

TILLAMOOK: Four added by baptism. One hundred fifty men and boys attended the wild-game dinner. Host to Coast Union C.E. and Union Thanksgiving service. Fellowship calling is under way with various age levels calling on new and absentee members. Vivian Mondhan, reporter. Truman Robbins, minister.

GLADSTONE: Two added by baptism, 1 otherwise. Homecoming observed November 6. Elder-emeritus S. H. "Jerry" Rankin honored at special service, November 13.

CHRISTMAS IS A TIME TO EXPRESS INTEREST IN YOUR NBA HOMES

Since the beginning of the church, Christians everywhere have tried to meet human needs. Just as Jesus had compassion on the poor, the sick, the blind, the mentally disturbed, the neglected and rejected, so the church has tried to follow His example.

Since 1887, The National Benevolent Association of the Christian Churches (Disciples of Christ) has been the instrument by which an organized and orderly program of benevolence has been administered. This year over 900 children, who were abandoned, neglected, or unwanted, found security and love in 7 NBA Homes for children in Denver, Atlanta, Cleveland, St. Louis, Omaha, Dallas, and Somerset, Pennsylvania. 19 were full orphans and 48 were half orphans. 783 aging members of the Christian Churches, who were lonely, unwanted, or without sufficient funds, have had comfort and Christian companionship in the 10 NBA Homes for the aging in Dallas, Texas; Des Moines, Martinsville and Marion, Indiana; Jacksonville, Florida; Jacksonville, Illinois; Beaverton, Oregon; Rosemead, California; Edmond, Oklahoma; Columbia, Missouri. 15 are blind; 77 are past 90; 379 are past 80; 21 are ministers; 110 are ministers' wives or widows and 13 are missionaries. 164 have no income whatsoever. They depend upon the churches for all necessities.

The benevolent outreach of our NBA Homes is limited only by the amount of support which members of our concerned churches regularly provide. Our Benevolence dollars are a part of your world outreach dollars. These NBA Homes operate to capacity. They referred over 700 children and 653 elderly people to other agencies for help. There are 493 approved aging on the NBA Homes' waiting lists. 87 unwed mothes were helped during the year.

The NBA Family Circle would have you know of their happiness, peace of mind, and deep gratitude as churches plan to observe the "Christmas Offering for Benevolence" on December 18 or December 25, 1960. Special materials have been prepared for churches to promote a generous Christmas offering, which is the Special Day for Benevolence in the Brotherhood Calendar. They are free. Your material gifts should be sent direct to the NBA Homes. Your cash offerings should be sent to the Homes or to The National Benevolent Association, 16th Floor, Landreth Building, St. Louis 2, Missouri. It makes no difference.

Thanks for keeping these NBA Home doors open. Who knows but what some day they may swing open to you, or your loved ones, in an hour of great need.

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